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NOTHING TO GOOD FOR TONOPAH

ONOPAH has always and consistently paraded the utmost confidence in the future of silver and the dawn of the greatest day in the prosperity of the camp. That time has come. The long heralded advance has arrived. The mines are on a boom. Nothing can stop them. Prices are given to aviating over night and a man is not sure that he is not a millionaire when he wakes up the morning after. The oracles and prophets have been put out of business by the cold inscrutable hand of development. That a boom is here is not due so much to the advance in silver as to the fact that mine after mine has struck it rich and at least five new properties have been added to the list of producers within the past three months.

Halifax was first to set the ball rolling with its marvelous wealth locked away on the 1200 foot level. Then came Rescue with an entirely new ledge found on the \$50 level that has been extended eastward for a distance of 150 feet without giving the faintest sign of depreciation. Remember this happened in a prospect that had been unsuccessful for a period of eight years and the public was a little bit skeptical about accepting the truth. Today buyers are clamoring for stock of Rescue with a positive conviction that it will soon touch the dollar mark. Then came the California-another old property that never had much standing in the minds of miners. In a few weeks, after having been in the hands of the Tonopah Mining company, the California yielded up the treasure that remained hidden for years down in

Under ordinary conditions this would have satisfied any one but the greediest glutton. Tonopah was satisfied. But there were others in the making. It is one of the strangest traditions of every mining camp that prosperity comes in streaks. When one mine gets rich ore it is almost positive that one or two others will follow suit. That might have pleased any other old camp, but it was not up to the Tonopah standard which believes in

With three new shippers Tonopah was strictly in the Ilmelight but, when three others were added to the constellation of silver producers there is no wonder that the world stands aghast and asks sententiously, "What next?" Scarcely had the news of Rescue obtained credence than the MacNamara sprang into prominence with a ledge of high-grade such as had not been seen here since the early days of the Midway which shipped the richest carload out of Tonopah. Now it is the Midway, the old standby which, was the pride of "Cal" Brougher in the days when no one ever thought of a Tonopah mine failing to make good. After watching the buoyancy of the stock market it would not be surprising if the Mizpah Ex, should be added to the galaxy before long. It is hinted that this property is storing up a surprise. Great Western, wedged in on the home stretch with a series of rich stringers presaging the proximity of ore and thus it would not be entirely out of keeping with the phenomenal record of the camp to have the youngest prospect finishing close to the leaders.

In the meantime silver is doing aeroplane stunts for the altitude record. Here are the figures that everybody in Tonopah is inquiring about. The highest price for silver since the discovery of Tonopah was 68 cents in 1906. The following year the price was 66 cents and the next highest was 61.5 cents

MINERAL COUNTY WELL NAMED

N the winter of 1908 when a division of Esmeralda country was suggested there was no opposition to the movement from the parent section which then lusted in its strength as the home of the greatest gold mine in the world. The taxpayers of the southern end of Esmeralda thought the halcyon days of high-grade would last forever and it mattered not to them if a few hundred square miles was lopped off a county that extended from Walker Lake to the bad lands of the south. Today these men wished they had been gifted with clairvoyance so they might have foreseen the future or learned d bring forth. They find they gave away their birthright for less than Esau's mess of pottage. Wishing will not bring back what was supposed to be a barren wilderness interspersed with a few stock ranches Times have changed. Mineral county is working to an end and for a purpose. It has become a prospector's paradise. Every known metal has been found in commercial quantities within its boundaries and there is no telling what strange rare metallic combinations will yet be credited to the steep acclivities that rise on both sides of the railroad track leading up to Reno from the desert country.

It will surprise many to know that in the vicinity of Mina there is mountain of hematite richer than any discovered in the Gogebic range and waiting for the day when other districts with more convenient and cheaper shipping facilities will exhaust their stores. Iron is there by millions of tons that one day will be drawn upon to supply demands from Nevada steel plants and Nevada foundries.

This is not all. Other and richer minerals abound. Within recent weeks discoveries of molybdenite and potash have multiplied the latent value of Mineral county. These metals are selling at a war premium but, should the prices be reduced to normal, the magnitude of these deposits cannot be forced out of the world's competition. They are here to stay. They are here solely on their merits to be developed along the most economical lines with due regard or eventual returns after hostilities have passed into history.

Of course everybody knows Mineral county is the home of the largest tungsten mine in Nevada, but they do not know that it has antimony, zinc, lead, quicksilver, gold, silver and copper mines, all shipping and adding to the revenues of their owners in a modest way that has escaped the attention of the outer world. The owners are intent chiefly on keeping the products of their own properties and, when they have to solicit aid, they do so with a certitude that insures them a voice in the management.

Luning is developing shippers at an extraordinary rate and, since copper contracts are being placed at current quotations for delivery next March, there is not much question but that Luning will be heard from in a most substantial manner.

CLIPPED AND CREDITED

A New York man is said to be dying from an inability to yawn. If the political orators will only start campaigning at once they may save this man's life.- Detroit Free Press.

According to the New York Times two of the Indian scouts with General Parshing have been Americanized. Knew the hyphen craze was bound to extend.-Kanesburgh Hluminator.

Berlin reports that there are fewer poor in that city than there were a year ago. After reading the casualty lists from the front we believe it.—De-

Admiral Fiske says our navy is of half the fighting strength of that of Germany, which at the present time would rate us at about 50 per cent less than nothing.-Pittsburgh Gazette Times.

It is said that the Hon. Tom Taggart, the new senator from Indiana, can not make a speech, but the fact that he can vote straight in the senate and 480

hold one in a poker game qualifies him for the job .- New Orleans States. Colonel Roosevelt discovered a new bird on his trip to the West Indies Colonel Roosevelt is always discovering a new river, a scalp that interests him particularly.—Chicago Herald

Americans are said to spend \$35,000,000 a year for chewing gum, and in addition they support the cost of a standing army of congressman who are engaged in chewing wind.-Louisville Courier Journal,

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